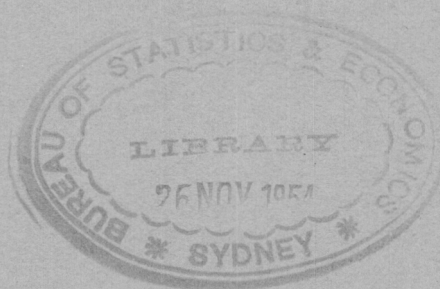


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#### EXPLANATORY NOTES

Except where otherwise specified employment figures contained in this Bulletin are based on data obtained from the 1933 Census, the Civilian Register of 1943, the Occupation Survey of 1945, Annual Censuses of Factory Production, and returns from Governmental Authorities, together with Pay-roll Tax returns. Pay-roll Tax returns at present cover approximately 75 per cent of the total estimated numbers employed and are lodged by all employers paying more than £120 per week in wages (other than certain Commonwealth Government Authorities, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and other similar organizations specifically exempted under the Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act, 1941-1954). This Act when originally introduced in 1941 required employers paying wages of more than £20 per week to lodge returns. The exemption limit was raised to £80 per week from 1st October, 1953. Prior to the 1st September, 1954, when the present exemption limit was introduced, employment recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns covered approximately 80 per cent of the total estimated numbers employed.

The terms "Employment", "Number Employed", "Employees" and "Wage Earners" used herein are synonymous with, and relate to, "wage and salary earners" on pay-rolls or "in employment" in the latter part of each month as distinct from numbers of employees actually working on a specific date. They include persons employed part-time.



# PREFACE

The figures relating to employment published in this Bulletin are estimates. The Census of June, 1954, may show the need for some revision in the monthly aggregates. It is not anticipated, however, that any such revision will affect the trends shown by the figures in Tables 1 to 8. Some revisions will be necessary in the totals and trends in employment shown for individual industries (particularly manufacturing) in Tables 9 and 10. Tables showing employment in individual classes of factory are not published pending review.

2. Call-ups for short periods of National Service Training have occurred from time to time since August, 1951, and other variations occur in numbers of personnel in the Services. These are shown in item 4 below and in Table 4 page 3 thereof. Relevant figures are as follows:-

## AUSTRALIA : (Thousands) (EXCLUDING employees in Rural Industries and Private Domestic Service)

|   |  | 1953   |        | 1954   |        |        |        |        |
|---|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|   |  | August | Sept.  | May    | June   | July   | August | Sept.  |
| MALES   |  |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| 1. In Private Employment  |  | 1319.4 | 1323.6 | 1361.9 | 1367.0 | 1365.2 | 1366.9 | 1371.2 |
| In Governmental Employment -  |  |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Commonwealth Authorities -  |  |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Defence Group (a)   |  | 30.3   | 30.3   | 30.2   | 30.2   | 30.3   | 30.2   | 30.0   |
| Other   |  | 127.2  | 126.8  | 126.7  | 126.4  | 126.4  | 126.5  | 126.6  |
| State and Semi-Governmental   |  | 349.7  | 350.2  | 361.5  | 363.1  | 363.4  | 363.8  | 363.3  |
| Local Authorities   |  | 59.6   | 59.4   | 61.6   | 61.7   | 62.0   | 61.9   | 62.0   |
| 2. Total Governmental   |  | 566.8  | 566.7  | 580.0  | 581.4  | 582.1  | 582.4  | 581.9  |
| 3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment   |  | 1886.2 | 1890.3 | 1941.9 | 1948.4 | 1947.3 | 1949.3 | 1953.1 |
| 4. Defence Forces (Permanent,<br>Oversea and National<br>Service Trainees in Camp)(b) |  | 65.5   | 62.8   | 61.0   | 60.1   | 61.5   | 61.5   | 60.8   |
| 5. Total, Civilian Employees,<br>Defence Forces and Trainees                          |  | 1951.7 | 1953.1 | 2002.9 | 2008.5 | 2008.8 | 2010.8 | 2013.9 |

| FEMALES   |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1. In Private Employment                        | 565.0 | 569.1 | 592.7 | 593.0 | 593.7 | 594.5 | 598.5 |
| In Governmental Employment -                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Commonwealth Authorities -                      |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Defence Group (a)                               | 6.2   | 6.2   | 6.4   | 6.5   | 6.5   | 6.5   | 6.5   |
| Other   | 35.6  | 35.5  | 35.0  | 35.1  | 35.8  | 36.1  | 36.0  |
| State and Semi-Governmental                     | 65.4  | 65.4  | 67.7  | 67.5  | 67.6  | 67.9  | 68.1  |
| Local Authorities                               | 5.3   | 5.3   | 5.5   | 5.4   | 5.5   | 5.5   | 5.5   |
| 2. Total Governmental                           | 112.5 | 112.4 | 114.6 | 114.5 | 115.4 | 116.0 | 116.1 |
| 3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment           | 677.5 | 681.5 | 707.3 | 707.5 | 709.1 | 710.5 | 714.6 |
| 4. Defence Forces (Permanent and Oversea)       | 2.0   | 2.0   | 1.9   | 2.0   | 2.0   | 2.0   | 2.1   |
| 5. Total, Civilian Employees and Defence Forces | 679.5 | 683.5 | 709.2 | 709.5 | 711.1 | 712.5 | 716.7 |

| PERSONS                               |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1. In Private Employment              | 1884.4 | 1892.7 | 1954.6 | 1960.0 | 1958.9 | 1961.4 | 1969.7 |
| In Governmental Employment -          |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Commonwealth Authorities -            |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Defence Group (a)                     | 36.5   | 36.5   | 36.6   | 36.7   | 36.8   | 36.7   | 36.5   |
| Other                                 | 162.8  | 162.3  | 161.7  | 161.5  | 162.2  | 162.6  | 162.6  |
| State and Semi-Governmental           | 415.1  | 415.6  | 429.2  | 430.6  | 431.0  | 431.7  | 431.4  |
| Local Authorities                     | 64.9   | 64.7   | 67.1   | 67.1   | 67.5   | 67.4   | 67.5   |
| 2. Total Governmental                 | 679.3  | 679.1  | 694.6  | 695.9  | 697.5  | 698.4  | 698.0  |
| 3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment | 2563.7 | 2571.8 | 2649.2 | 2655.9 | 2656.4 | 2659.8 | 2667.7 |
| 4. Defence Forces (Permanent,         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Oversea and National                  |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Service Trainees in Camp)(b)          | 67.5   | 64.8   | 62.9   | 62.1   | 63.5   | 63.5   | 62.9   |
| 5. Total, Civilian Employees,         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Defence Forces and Trainees           | 2631.2 | 2636.6 | 2712.1 | 2718.0 | 2719.9 | 2723.3 | 2730.6 |

(a) Comprises employees of the Departments of Air, Army, Navy, Defence, Supply and Defence Production.

(b) Excludes rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training but includes non-enlisted personnel.

## 1. GENERAL SUMMARY

TABLE 1 : PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT - AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

| Month     | Males   |         |         | Females |         |         | Persons |         |         |
|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|           | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 |
| July      | 1316.5  | 1316.3  | 1365.2  | 558.7   | 562.8   | 593.7   | 1875.2  | 1879.1  | 1958.9  |
| August    | 1306.9  | 1319.4  | 1366.9  | 553.1   | 565.0   | 594.5   | 1860.0  | 1884.4  | 1961.4  |
| September | 1298.6  | 1323.6  | 1371.2  | 552.1   | 569.1   | 598.5   | 1850.7  | 1892.7  | 1969.7  |
| October   | 1301.6  | 1330.4  |         | 553.0   | 574.5   |         | 1854.6  | 1904.9  |         |
| November  | 1300.6  | 1337.9  |         | 554.7   | 582.7   |         | 1855.3  | 1920.6  |         |
| December  | 1299.4  | 1340.9  |         | 557.9   | 590.0   |         | 1857.3  | 1930.9  |         |
| January   | 1297.9  | 1344.2  |         | 553.9   | 587.0   |         | 1851.8  | 1931.2  |         |
| February  | 1307.3  | 1348.8  |         | 559.9   | 588.3   |         | 1867.2  | 1937.1  |         |
| March     | 1311.3  | 1356.2  |         | 564.4   | 593.7   |         | 1875.7  | 1949.9  |         |
| April     | 1314.7  | 1358.3  |         | 563.8   | 593.1   |         | 1878.5  | 1951.4  |         |
| May       | 1316.8  | 1361.9  |         | 562.8   | 592.7   |         | 1879.6  | 1954.6  |         |
| June      | 1319.0  | 1367.0  |         | 561.7   | 593.0   |         | 1880.7  | 1960.0  |         |

TABLE 2 : CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES - AUSTRALIA  
(Thousands)

| Month     | Males     |         |         | Females |         |         | Persons   |         |         |
|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|
|           | 1952-53   | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1952-53   | 1953-54 | 1954-55 |
| July      | 577.5     | 566.1   | 582.1   | 115.5   | 112.5   | 115.4   | 693.0     | 678.6   | 697.5   |
| August    | 574.9     | 566.8   | 582.4   | 114.9   | 112.5   | 116.0   | 689.8     | 679.3   | 698.4   |
| September | 572.3     | 566.7   | 581.9   | 113.8   | 112.4   | 116.1   | 686.1     | 679.1   | 698.0   |
| October   | 567.5     | 567.4   |         | 112.6   | 111.8   |         | 680.1     | 679.2   |         |
| November  | 565.1     | 568.7   |         | 112.2   | 111.9   |         | 677.3     | 680.6   |         |
| December  | 564.5     | 569.9   |         | 111.2   | 111.3   |         | 675.7     | 681.2   |         |
| January   | (a) 559.9 | 568.1   |         | 110.3   | 110.7   |         | (a) 670.2 | 678.8   |         |
| February  | 563.8     | 571.6   |         | 112.1   | 113.0   |         | 675.9     | 684.6   |         |
| March     | 566.8     | 575.1   |         | 112.7   | 114.2   |         | 679.5     | 689.3   |         |
| April     | 567.7     | 577.8   |         | 112.3   | 114.4   |         | 680.0     | 692.2   |         |
| May       | 568.1     | 580.0   |         | 112.1   | 114.6   |         | 680.2     | 694.6   |         |
| June      | 567.8     | 581.4   |         | 112.0   | 114.5   |         | 679.8     | 695.9   |         |

(a) Affected by industrial dispute.

TABLE 3 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES - AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Thousands)

| Month     | Males      |         |         | Females |         |         | Persons    |         |         |
|-----------|------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------------|---------|---------|
|           | 1952-53    | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1952-53    | 1953-54 | 1954-55 |
| July      | 1894.0     | 1882.4  | 1947.3  | 674.2   | 675.3   | 709.1   | 2568.2     | 2557.7  | 2656.4  |
| August    | 1881.8     | 1886.2  | 1949.3  | 668.0   | 677.5   | 710.5   | 2549.8     | 2563.7  | 2659.8  |
| September | 1870.9     | 1890.3  | 1953.1  | 665.9   | 681.5   | 714.6   | 2536.8     | 2571.8  | 2667.7  |
| October   | 1869.1     | 1897.8  |         | 665.6   | 686.3   |         | 2534.7     | 2584.1  |         |
| November  | 1865.7     | 1906.6  |         | 666.9   | 694.6   |         | 2532.6     | 2601.2  |         |
| December  | 1863.9     | 1910.8  |         | 669.1   | 701.3   |         | 2533.0     | 2612.1  |         |
| January   | (a) 1857.8 | 1912.3  |         | 664.2   | 697.7   |         | (a) 2522.0 | 2610.0  |         |
| February  | 1871.1     | 1920.4  |         | 672.0   | 701.3   |         | 2543.1     | 2621.7  |         |
| March     | 1878.1     | 1931.3  |         | 677.1   | 707.9   |         | 2555.2     | 2639.2  |         |
| April     | 1882.4     | 1936.1  |         | 676.1   | 707.5   |         | 2558.5     | 2643.6  |         |
| May       | 1884.9     | 1941.9  |         | 674.9   | 707.3   |         | 2559.8     | 2649.2  |         |
| June      | 1886.8     | 1948.4  |         | 673.7   | 707.5   |         | 2560.5     | 2655.9  |         |

(a) Affected by industrial dispute.



TABLE 4 : DEFENCE FORCES - AUSTRALIA

(Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp)(a)  
(Thousands)

| Month     | Males   |         |         | Females |         |         | Persons |         |         |
|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|           | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 |
| July      | 68.9    | 66.0    | 61.5    | 1.9     | 2.0     | 2.0     | 70.8    | 68.0    | 63.5    |
| August    | 70.4    | 65.5    | 61.5    | 2.1     | 2.0     | 2.0     | 72.5    | 67.5    | 63.5    |
| September | 70.6    | 62.8    | 60.8    | 2.1     | 2.0     | 2.1     | 72.7    | 64.8    | 62.9    |
| October   | 70.1    | 62.5    |         | 2.1     | 2.0     |         | 72.2    | 64.5    |         |
| November  | 62.1    | 57.0    |         | 2.1     | 2.0     |         | 64.2    | 59.0    |         |
| December  | 59.3    | 52.5    |         | 2.0     | 2.0     |         | 61.3    | 54.5    |         |
| January   | 67.5    | 62.7    |         | 2.1     | 2.0     |         | 69.6    | 64.7    |         |
| February  | 68.4    | 62.3    |         | 2.0     | 2.0     |         | 70.4    | 64.3    |         |
| March     | 65.8    | 61.3    |         | 2.0     | 1.9     |         | 67.8    | 63.2    |         |
| April     | 63.0    | 59.8    |         | 2.0     | 2.0     |         | 65.0    | 61.8    |         |
| May       | 65.4    | 61.0    |         | 2.0     | 1.9     |         | 67.4    | 62.9    |         |
| June      | 65.4    | 60.1    |         | 2.0     | 2.0     |         | 67.4    | 62.1    |         |

(a) Non-enlisted personnel are included. Rural Workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded.

TABLE 5 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, DEFENCE FORCES AND TRAINEES - AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)

(Thousands)

| Month     | Males      |         |         | Females |         |         | Persons    |         |         |
|-----------|------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------------|---------|---------|
|           | 1952-53    | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1952-53    | 1953-54 | 1954-55 |
| July      | 1962.9     | 1948.4  | 2008.8  | 676.1   | 677.3   | 711.1   | 2639.0     | 2625.7  | 2719.9  |
| August    | 1952.2     | 1951.7  | 2010.8  | 670.1   | 679.5   | 712.5   | 2622.3     | 2631.2  | 2723.3  |
| September | 1941.5     | 1953.1  | 2013.9  | 668.0   | 683.5   | 716.7   | 2609.5     | 2636.6  | 2730.6  |
| October   | 1939.2     | 1960.3  |         | 667.7   | 688.3   |         | 2606.9     | 2648.6  |         |
| November  | 1927.8     | 1963.6  |         | 669.0   | 696.6   |         | 2596.8     | 2660.2  |         |
| December  | 1923.2     | 1963.3  |         | 671.1   | 703.3   |         | 2594.3     | 2666.6  |         |
| January   | (a) 1925.3 | 1975.0  |         | 666.3   | 699.7   |         | (a) 2591.6 | 2674.7  |         |
| February  | 1939.5     | 1982.7  |         | 674.0   | 703.3   |         | 2613.5     | 2686.0  |         |
| March     | 1943.9     | 1992.6  |         | 679.1   | 709.8   |         | 2623.0     | 2702.4  |         |
| April     | 1945.4     | 1995.9  |         | 678.1   | 709.5   |         | 2623.5     | 2705.4  |         |
| May       | 1950.3     | 2002.9  |         | 676.9   | 709.2   |         | 2627.2     | 2712.1  |         |
| June      | 1952.2     | 2008.5  |         | 675.7   | 709.5   |         | 2627.9     | 2718.0  |         |

(a) Affected by industrial dispute.

**TABLE 6 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA**  
 (EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
 (Thousands)

| Month         | Civilian Employees (excl. Rural and Private Domestic) |                    |         |                       |                    |       |                       |                    |         | Defence Forces (b) |
|---------------|---|--------------------|---------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------|-----------------------|--------------------|---------|--------------------|
|               | Males   |                    |         | Females               |                    |       | Persons               |                    |         |                    |
|               | Govt. Authorities (a)                                 | Private Employment | Total   | Govt. Authorities (a) | Private Employment | Total | Govt. Authorities (a) | Private Employment | Total   |                    |
| 1939 July     | 349.8   | 943.3              | 1,293.1 | 55.2                  | 381.9              | 437.1 | 405.0                 | 1,325.2            | 1,730.2 | 12.9               |
| 1941 July     | 375.3   | 988.1              | 1,363.4 | 70.8                  | 485.4              | 556.2 | 446.1                 | 1,473.5            | 1,919.6 | 284.6              |
| 1942 June     | 420.9   | 888.6              | 1,309.5 | 100.8                 | 502.8              | 603.6 | 521.7                 | 1,391.4            | 1,913.1 | 634.0              |
| 1943 June     | 413.3   | 859.9              | 1,273.2 | 135.9                 | 504.8              | 640.7 | 549.2                 | 1,364.7            | 1,913.9 | 729.0              |
| 1944 June     | 404.5   | 871.1              | 1,275.6 | 134.0                 | 497.5              | 631.5 | 538.5                 | 1,368.6            | 1,907.1 | 704.4              |
| 1945 June     | 400.2   | 896.1              | 1,296.3 | 124.8                 | 494.6              | 619.4 | 525.0                 | 1,390.7            | 1,915.7 | 648.9              |
| 1946 June     | 435.0   | 1,071.5            | 1,506.5 | 94.0                  | 502.0              | 596.0 | 529.0                 | 1,573.5            | 2,102.5 | 143.4              |
| 1947 June     | 472.0   | 1,177.4            | 1,649.4 | 92.1                  | 527.5              | 619.6 | 564.1                 | 1,704.9            | 2,269.0 | 54.0               |
| 1948 June     | 494.0   | 1,236.9            | 1,730.9 | 94.9                  | 549.1              | 644.0 | 588.9                 | 1,786.0            | 2,374.9 | 39.3               |
| 1949 May(c)   | 518.9   | 1,268.2            | 1,787.1 | 99.2                  | 564.9              | 664.1 | 618.1                 | 1,833.1            | 2,451.2 | 33.6               |
| 1950 June     | 554.3   | 1,304.4            | 1,858.7 | 107.7                 | 580.5              | 688.2 | 662.0                 | 1,884.9            | 2,546.9 | 33.7               |
| 1951 June     | 571.2   | 1,340.3            | 1,911.5 | 113.9                 | 604.9              | 718.8 | 685.1                 | 1,945.2            | 2,630.3 | 44.3               |
| 1952 June     | 578.4   | 1,329.7            | 1,908.1 | 115.3                 | 564.1              | 679.4 | 693.7                 | 1,893.8            | 2,587.5 | 69.4               |
| 1953 June     | 567.8   | 1,319.0            | 1,886.8 | 112.0                 | 561.7              | 673.7 | 679.8                 | 1,880.7            | 2,560.5 | 67.4               |
| 1954 June     | 581.4   | 1,367.0            | 1,948.4 | 114.5                 | 592.8              | 707.3 | 695.9                 | 1,959.8            | 2,655.7 | 62.1               |
| 1952 Oct. (d) | 567.5   | 1,301.6            | 1,869.1 | 112.6                 | 553.0              | 665.6 | 680.1                 | 1,854.6            | 2,534.7 | 72.2               |
| Nov.          | 565.1   | 1,300.6            | 1,865.7 | 112.2                 | 554.7              | 666.9 | 677.3                 | 1,855.3            | 2,532.6 | 64.2               |
| Dec.          | 564.5   | 1,299.4            | 1,863.9 | 111.2                 | 557.9              | 669.1 | 675.7                 | 1,857.3            | 2,533.0 | 61.3               |
| 1953 Jan.     | 559.9   | 1,297.9            | 1,857.8 | 110.3                 | 553.9              | 664.2 | 670.2                 | 1,851.8            | 2,522.0 | 69.6               |
| Feb.          | 563.8   | 1,307.3            | 1,871.1 | 112.1                 | 559.9              | 672.0 | 675.9                 | 1,867.2            | 2,543.1 | 70.4               |
| Mar.          | 566.8   | 1,311.3            | 1,878.1 | 112.7                 | 564.4              | 677.1 | 679.5                 | 1,875.7            | 2,555.2 | 67.8               |
| Apr.          | 567.7   | 1,314.7            | 1,882.4 | 112.3                 | 563.8              | 676.1 | 680.0                 | 1,878.5            | 2,558.5 | 65.0               |
| May           | 568.1   | 1,316.8            | 1,884.9 | 112.1                 | 562.8              | 674.9 | 680.2                 | 1,879.6            | 2,559.8 | 67.4               |
| June          | 567.8   | 1,319.0            | 1,886.8 | 112.0                 | 561.7              | 673.7 | 679.8                 | 1,880.7            | 2,560.5 | 67.4               |
| July          | 566.1   | 1,316.3            | 1,882.4 | 112.5                 | 562.8              | 675.3 | 678.6                 | 1,879.1            | 2,557.7 | 68.0               |
| Aug.          | 566.8   | 1,319.4            | 1,886.2 | 112.5                 | 565.0              | 677.5 | 679.3                 | 1,884.4            | 2,563.7 | 67.5               |
| Sept.         | 566.7   | 1,323.6            | 1,890.3 | 112.4                 | 569.1              | 681.5 | 679.1                 | 1,892.7            | 2,571.8 | 64.8               |
| Oct.          | 567.4   | 1,330.4            | 1,897.8 | 111.8                 | 574.5              | 686.3 | 679.2                 | 1,904.9            | 2,584.1 | 64.5               |
| Nov.          | 568.7   | 1,337.9            | 1,906.6 | 111.9                 | 582.7              | 694.6 | 680.6                 | 1,920.6            | 2,601.2 | 59.0               |
| Dec.          | 569.9   | 1,340.9            | 1,910.8 | 111.3                 | 590.0              | 701.3 | 681.2                 | 1,930.9            | 2,612.1 | 54.5               |
| 1954 Jan.     | 568.1   | 1,344.2            | 1,912.3 | 110.7                 | 587.0              | 697.7 | 678.8                 | 1,931.2            | 2,610.0 | 64.7               |
| Feb.          | 571.6   | 1,348.8            | 1,920.4 | 113.0                 | 588.3              | 701.3 | 684.6                 | 1,937.1            | 2,621.7 | 64.3               |
| Mar.          | 575.1   | 1,356.2            | 1,931.3 | 114.2                 | 593.7              | 707.9 | 689.3                 | 1,949.9            | 2,639.2 | 63.2               |
| Apr.          | 577.8   | 1,358.3            | 1,936.1 | 114.4                 | 593.1              | 707.5 | 692.2                 | 1,951.4            | 2,643.6 | 61.8               |
| May           | 580.0   | 1,361.9            | 1,941.9 | 114.6                 | 592.7              | 707.3 | 694.6                 | 1,954.6            | 2,649.2 | 62.9               |
| June          | 581.4   | 1,367.0            | 1,948.4 | 114.5                 | 593.0              | 707.5 | 695.9                 | 1,960.0            | 2,655.9 | 62.1               |
| July          | 582.1   | 1,365.2            | 1,947.3 | 115.4                 | 593.7              | 709.1 | 697.5                 | 1,958.9            | 2,656.4 | 63.5               |
| Aug.          | 582.4   | 1,366.9            | 1,949.3 | 116.0                 | 594.5              | 710.5 | 698.4                 | 1,961.4            | 2,659.8 | 63.5               |
| Sept.         | 581.9   | 1,371.2            | 1,953.1 | 116.1                 | 598.5              | 714.6 | 698.0                 | 1,969.7            | 2,667.7 | 62.9               |

(a) Includes all employees of Governmental Authorities (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post office, air transport, education, broadcasting, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia.

(b) Includes members of Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp. Non-enlisted personnel are included. Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded.

(c) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949.

(d) See Preface on page 1 hereof as to effects of fluctuations in numbers of Defence Forces and Trainees since August, 1951.



TABLE 7 : CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES, SEPTEMBER, 1954

STATES AND TERRITORIES  
(Thousands)

| State or Territory | Commonwealth (a) |     |       |      |       |      | State and Semi-Govt. |      | Local Govt. (a) |     | Total Governmental (a) |       |       |
|--------------------|------------------|-----|-------|------|-------|------|----------------------|------|-----------------|-----|------------------------|-------|-------|
|                    | Defence Group    |     | Other |      | Total |      | M                    | F    | M               | F   | M                      | F     | P     |
|                    | M                | F   | M     | F    | M     | F    |                      |      |                 |     |                        |       |       |
| New South Wales    | 9.2              | 1.0 | 14.6  | 13.1 | 53.8  | 14.1 | 132.1                | 23.8 | 25.0            | 2.5 | 210.9                  | 40.4  | 251.3 |
| Victoria           | 15.5             | 4.6 | 33.5  | 10.4 | 49.0  | 15.0 | 93.2                 | 20.4 | 12.2            | 1.3 | 154.4                  | 36.7  | 191.1 |
| Queensland         | 1.2              | 0.2 | 16.3  | 4.2  | 17.5  | 4.4  | 51.5                 | 6.8  | 16.7            | 0.9 | 85.7                   | 12.1  | 97.8  |
| South Australia    | 3.1              | 0.5 | 11.7  | 2.7  | 14.8  | 3.2  | 37.6                 | 7.9  | 2.9             | 0.3 | 55.3                   | 11.4  | 66.7  |
| West. Australia    | 0.7              | 0.1 | 7.9   | 2.0  | 8.6   | 2.1  | 34.9                 | 5.9  | 3.1             | 0.3 | 46.6                   | 8.3   | 54.9  |
| Tasmania           | 0.1              | 0.1 | 3.9   | 1.1  | 4.0   | 1.2  | 14.0                 | 3.3  | 2.1             | 0.2 | 20.1                   | 4.7   | 24.8  |
| Northern Terr.     | 0.1              | -   | 2.2   | 0.5  | 2.3   | 0.5  | -                    | -    | -               | -   | 2.3                    | 0.5   | 2.8   |
| Aust. Cap. Terr.   | 0.1              | -   | 6.5   | 2.0  | 6.6   | 2.0  | -                    | -    | -               | -   | 6.6                    | 2.0   | 8.6   |
| Total, September   | 30.0             | 6.5 | 126.6 | 36.0 | 156.6 | 42.5 | 363.3                | 68.1 | 62.0            | 5.5 | 581.9                  | 116.1 | 698.0 |
| Total, August      | 30.2             | 6.5 | 126.5 | 36.1 | 156.7 | 42.6 | 363.8                | 67.9 | 61.9            | 5.5 | 582.4                  | 116.0 | 698.4 |

(a) See note (a) to Table 6 on previous page.

TABLE 8 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - STATES AND TERRITORIES  
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)  
(Thousands)

| State or Territory | June 1948 | May 1949(a) | June 1950 | June 1951 | June 1952 | June 1953 | June 1954 | August 1954 | September 1954 |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|----------------|
| <b>MALES</b>       |           |             |           |           |           |           |           |             |                |
| New South Wales    | 702.3     | 721.4       | 740.8     | 758.2     | 754.4     | 734.3     | 758.1     | 758.8       | 760.5          |
| Victoria           | 473.3     | 489.3       | 510.7     | 525.8     | 524.4     | 521.6     | 539.7     | 539.9       | 542.1          |
| Queensland         | 232.6     | 239.8       | 250.4     | 259.3     | 258.1     | 255.2     | 263.7     | 264.9       | 265.1          |
| South Australia    | 149.0     | 155.0       | 165.7     | 170.0     | 171.5     | 170.6     | 176.0     | 175.8       | 175.4          |
| West. Australia    | 109.2     | 112.8       | 120.5     | 125.3(b)  | 126.0     | 130.2     | 135.0     | 135.0       | 134.9          |
| Tasmania           | 54.5      | 57.4        | 58.4      | 60.2      | 61.0      | 61.8      | 62.8      | 61.9        | 62.0           |
| Northern Terr.     | 4.0       | 4.2         | 4.5       | 4.6       | 4.4       | 4.6       | 4.9       | 4.8         | 4.9            |
| Aust. Cap. Terr.   | 6.0       | 7.2         | 7.7       | 8.1       | 8.3       | 8.5       | 8.2       | 8.2         | 8.2            |
| Australia:         | 1730.9    | 1787.1      | 1858.7    | 1911.5    | 1908.1    | 1886.8    | 1948.4    | 1949.3      | 1953.1         |

**FEMALES**

|                  |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| New South Wales  | 261.9 | 269.9 | 278.5 | 290.9 | 270.5 | 266.2 | 279.5 | 281.4 | 283.7 |
| Victoria         | 196.7 | 202.5 | 210.0 | 219.6 | 206.6 | 205.9 | 217.7 | 218.2 | 219.1 |
| Queensland       | 77.9  | 80.1  | 83.1  | 86.1  | 83.8  | 83.7  | 86.1  | 86.9  | 86.9  |
| South Australia  | 50.1  | 52.2  | 54.3  | 57.0  | 54.9  | 53.4  | 56.9  | 57.4  | 57.8  |
| West. Australia  | 37.0  | 37.8  | 39.9  | 41.6  | 40.5  | 41.0  | 42.8  | 42.9  | 43.2  |
| Tasmania         | 18.0  | 18.8  | 19.4  | 20.3  | 19.8  | 20.1  | 21.0  | 20.2  | 20.3  |
| Northern Terr.   | 0.6   | 0.7   | 0.9   | 0.8   | 0.8   | 0.9   | 0.9   | 0.9   | 0.9   |
| Aust. Cap. Terr. | 1.8   | 2.1   | 2.1   | 2.5   | 2.5   | 2.5   | 2.6   | 2.6   | 2.7   |
| Australia:       | 644.0 | 664.1 | 688.2 | 718.8 | 679.4 | 673.7 | 707.5 | 710.5 | 714.6 |

**PERSONS**

|                  |        |        |        |          |        |        |        |        |        |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| New South Wales  | 964.2  | 991.3  | 1019.3 | 1049.1   | 1024.9 | 1000.5 | 1037.6 | 1040.2 | 1044.2 |
| Victoria         | 670.0  | 691.8  | 720.7  | 745.4    | 731.0  | 727.5  | 757.4  | 758.1  | 761.2  |
| Queensland       | 310.5  | 319.9  | 333.5  | 345.4    | 341.9  | 338.9  | 349.8  | 351.8  | 352.0  |
| South Australia  | 199.1  | 207.2  | 220.0  | 227.0    | 226.4  | 224.0  | 232.9  | 233.2  | 233.2  |
| West. Australia  | 146.2  | 150.6  | 160.4  | 166.9(b) | 166.5  | 171.2  | 177.8  | 177.9  | 178.1  |
| Tasmania         | 72.5   | 76.2   | 77.8   | 80.5     | 80.8   | 81.9   | 83.8   | 82.1   | 82.3   |
| Northern Terr.   | 4.6    | 4.9    | 5.4    | 5.4      | 5.2    | 5.5    | 5.8    | 5.7    | 5.8    |
| Aust. Cap. Terr. | 7.8    | 9.3    | 9.8    | 10.6     | 10.8   | 11.0   | 10.8   | 10.8   | 10.9   |
| Australia:       | 2374.9 | 2451.2 | 2546.9 | 2630.3   | 2587.5 | 2560.5 | 2655.9 | 2659.8 | 2667.7 |

(a) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949.

(b) Affected by industrial dispute.

## II : EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

TABLE 9 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

## AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
 (Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)  
 (Thousands)

| Industrial Group   | June<br>1948 | September<br>1953 | June<br>1954 | July<br>1954 | August<br>1954 | September<br>1954 |
|--|--------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|
| <b>MALES</b>   |              |                   |              |              |                |                   |
| <u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>                        | 27.4         | 26.0              | 26.3         | 26.5         | 26.5           | 26.4              |
| <u>Mining - Gold</u>   | 9.2          | 7.7               | 7.5          | 7.5          | 7.5            | 7.4               |
| Silver, Lead, Zinc   | 7.7          | 9.7               | 9.6          | 9.2          | 9.2            | 9.3               |
| Coal   | 26.2         | 29.6              | 30.0         | 29.7         | 29.6           | 29.4              |
| Other (incl. Quarries)                                       | 9.6          | 11.5              | 11.6         | 11.5         | 11.6           | 11.7              |
| <u>Total Mining and Quarrying:</u>                           | 52.7         | 58.5              | 58.7         | 57.9         | 57.9           | 57.8              |
| <u>Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)</u>                   | 625.0        | 671.4             | 696.1        | 696.1        | 697.8          | 698.9             |
| Other (b)  | 55.5         | 60.2              | 60.7         | 60.8         | 60.8           | 60.9              |
| <u>Total Manufacturing:</u>                                  | 680.5        | 731.6             | 756.8        | 756.9        | 758.6          | 759.8             |
| <u>Building and Construction (incl.<br/>repairs, etc.)</u>   |              |                   |              |              |                |                   |
| Building (privately employed) (c)                            | 85.9         | 90.3              | 92.4         | 91.4         | 91.1           | 91.3              |
| Other (d)  | 81.9         | 99.4              | 113.3        | 113.8        | 112.9          | 113.2             |
| <u>Total Building and Construction:</u>                      | 167.8        | 189.7             | 205.7        | 205.2        | 204.0          | 204.5             |
| <u>Transport and Communication:</u>                          |              |                   |              |              |                |                   |
| Road Transport   | 82.1         | 81.7              | 83.5         | 83.5         | 83.3           | 83.2              |
| Shipping and Stevedoring                                     | 43.3         | 48.7              | 48.9         | 49.2         | 48.9           | 48.8              |
| Rail and Air Transport                                       | 96.5         | 105.4             | 106.3        | 106.7        | 107.2          | 106.9             |
| Communication  | 48.0         | 59.9              | 61.4         | 61.4         | 61.5           | 61.7              |
| <u>Total Transport, etc.</u>                                 | 269.9        | 295.7             | 300.1        | 300.8        | 300.9          | 300.6             |
| <u>Property and Finance, (incl. Banks<br/>and Insurance)</u> | 49.4         | 56.2              | 57.9         | 57.9         | 58.0           | 58.0              |
| <u>Commerce - Wholesale Trade</u>                            | 92.9         | 112.8             | 118.1        | 118.4        | 118.8          | 118.9             |
| Primary Produce Agencies                                     | 19.4         | 22.8              | 22.3         | 21.9         | 22.6           | 23.7              |
| Retail Trade   | 123.3        | 124.8             | 128.4        | 128.0        | 128.0          | 128.2             |
| <u>Total Commerce:</u>                                       | 235.6        | 260.4             | 268.8        | 268.3        | 269.4          | 270.8             |
| <u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>                     | 84.3         | 98.1              | 97.5         | 97.7         | 97.7           | 97.9              |
| <u>Other - Law and Order</u>                                 | 17.1         | 20.0              | 20.1         | 20.1         | 20.1           | 20.1              |
| Religion and Social Welfare                                  | 11.4         | 11.4              | 11.4         | 11.4         | 11.4           | 11.4              |
| Health Services  | 24.5         | 25.8              | 25.9         | 25.9         | 25.6           | 25.8              |
| Education  | 28.6         | 34.9              | 36.7         | 36.7         | 36.7           | 36.8              |
| Other Professional   | 11.1         | 12.2              | 12.1         | 12.3         | 12.3           | 12.4              |
| Entertainment, Sport   | 17.7         | 18.3              | 18.3         | 18.0         | 18.2           | 18.6              |
| Personal Service (e)   | 52.9         | 51.5              | 52.1         | 51.7         | 52.0           | 52.2              |
| <u>Total Other:</u>  | 163.3        | 174.1             | 176.6        | 176.1        | 176.3          | 177.3             |
| <u>TOTAL</u>   | 1730.9       | 1890.3            | 1948.4       | 1947.3       | 1949.3         | 1953.1            |

## FEMALES

|  |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>                      | 0.1   | 0.2   | 0.2   | 0.2   | 0.2   | 0.2   |
| <u>Mining and Quarrying</u>                                | 0.6   | 0.9   | 1.0   | 1.0   | 1.0   | 1.0   |
| <u>Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)</u>                 | 208.0 | 207.7 | 219.8 | 220.5 | 220.7 | 222.0 |
| Other (b)  | 5.9   | 6.9   | 7.0   | 7.0   | 7.1   | 7.0   |
| <u>Total Manufacturing:</u>                                | 213.9 | 214.6 | 226.8 | 227.5 | 227.8 | 229.0 |
| <u>Building and Construction (incl.<br/>repairs, etc.)</u> | 2.9   | 4.5   | 4.7   | 4.7   | 4.7   | 4.7   |
| <u>Transport and Communication</u>                         |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Road Transport   | 6.8   | 8.1   | 8.3   | 8.3   | 8.4   | 8.4   |
| Shipping and Stevedoring                                   | 2.1   | 2.4   | 2.4   | 2.3   | 2.4   | 2.4   |
| Rail and Air Transport                                     | 7.8   | 7.7   | 8.0   | 8.0   | 8.0   | 8.1   |
| Communication  | 18.3  | 17.9  | 17.8  | 17.8  | 17.9  | 18.0  |
| <u>Total Transport, etc.</u>                               | 35.0  | 36.1  | 36.5  | 36.4  | 36.7  | 36.9  |

For notes see page 9.



TABLE 9 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

## AUSTRALIA (Continued)

(Thousands)

| Industrial Group                                 | June<br>1948 | September<br>1953 | June<br>1954 | July<br>1954 | August<br>1954 | September<br>1954 |
|--|--------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|
| <b>FEMALES (CONTINUED)</b>                       |              |                   |              |              |                |                   |
| Property and Finance (incl. Banks and Insurance) | 24.2         | 32.3              | 34.7         | 34.9         | 35.0           | 35.1              |
| Commerce - Wholesale Trade                       | 28.5         | 34.9              | 36.9         | 37.4         | 37.6           | 38.1              |
| Primary Produce Agencies                         | 4.2          | 5.3               | 5.4          | 5.3          | 5.5            | 5.5               |
| Retail Trade                                     | 109.3        | 110.2             | 115.3        | 114.9        | 114.9          | 115.9             |
| Total Commerce:                                  | 142.0        | 150.4             | 157.6        | 157.6        | 158.0          | 159.5             |
| Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.                | 25.0         | 27.8              | 27.3         | 28.0         | 28.1           | 27.8              |
| Other - Law and Order                            | 7.5          | 8.8               | 9.0          | 9.1          | 9.1            | 9.1               |
| Religion and Social Welfare                      | 9.0          | 8.9               | 8.9          | 8.9          | 8.9            | 9.0               |
| Health Services                                  | 59.6         | 69.9              | 70.8         | 71.0         | 70.9           | 71.2              |
| Education  | 37.1         | 43.5              | 44.9         | 45.0         | 45.0           | 45.1              |
| Other Professional                               | 8.3          | 9.3               | 9.5          | 9.6          | 9.6            | 9.6               |
| Entertainment, Sport                             | 8.4          | 8.6               | 8.6          | 8.8          | 8.8            | 9.0               |
| Personal Service (e)                             | 70.4         | 65.7              | 67.0         | 66.4         | 66.7           | 67.4              |
| Total Other:                                     | 200.3        | 214.7             | 218.7        | 218.8        | 219.0          | 220.4             |
| Total:   | 644.0        | 681.5             | 707.5        | 709.1        | 710.5          | 714.6             |

## PERSONS

|  |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Forestry, Fishing and Trapping                   | 27.5   | 26.2   | 26.5   | 26.7   | 26.7   | 26.6   |
| Mining - Gold                                    | 9.3    | 7.9    | 7.6    | 7.6    | 7.6    | 7.6    |
| Silver, Lead, Zinc                               | 7.9    | 9.9    | 9.9    | 9.5    | 9.5    | 9.5    |
| Coal   | 26.3   | 29.8   | 30.2   | 29.9   | 29.8   | 29.6   |
| Other (incl. Quarries)                           | 9.8    | 11.8   | 12.0   | 11.9   | 12.0   | 12.1   |
| Total Mining and Quarrying:                      | 53.3   | 59.4   | 59.7   | 58.9   | 58.9   | 58.8   |
| Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)              | 833.0  | 879.1  | 915.9  | 916.6  | 918.5  | 920.9  |
| Other (b)  | 61.4   | 67.1   | 67.7   | 67.8   | 67.9   | 67.9   |
| Total Manufacturing:                             | 894.4  | 946.2  | 983.6  | 984.4  | 986.4  | 988.8  |
| Building and Construction (incl. repairs, etc.)  |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Building (privately employed) (c)                | 88.3   | 93.0   | 95.1   | 94.1   | 93.8   | 94.0   |
| Other (d)  | 82.4   | 101.2  | 115.3  | 115.8  | 114.9  | 115.2  |
| Total Building and Construction:                 | 170.7  | 194.2  | 210.4  | 209.9  | 208.7  | 209.2  |
| Transport and Communication                      |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Road Transport                                   | 88.9   | 89.8   | 91.8   | 91.8   | 91.7   | 91.6   |
| Shipping and Stevedoring                         | 45.4   | 51.1   | 51.3   | 51.5   | 51.3   | 51.2   |
| Rail and Air Transport                           | 104.3  | 113.1  | 114.3  | 114.7  | 115.2  | 115.0  |
| Communication                                    | 66.3   | 77.8   | 79.2   | 79.2   | 79.4   | 79.7   |
| Total Transport, etc.:                           | 304.9  | 331.8  | 336.6  | 337.2  | 337.6  | 337.5  |
| Property and Finance (incl. Banks and Insurance) | 73.6   | 88.5   | 92.6   | 92.8   | 93.0   | 93.1   |
| Commerce - Wholesale Trade                       | 121.4  | 147.7  | 155.0  | 155.8  | 156.4  | 157.0  |
| Primary Produce Agencies                         | 23.6   | 28.1   | 27.7   | 27.2   | 28.1   | 29.2   |
| Retail Trade                                     | 232.6  | 235.0  | 243.7  | 242.9  | 242.9  | 244.1  |
| Total Commerce:                                  | 377.6  | 410.8  | 426.4  | 425.9  | 427.4  | 430.3  |
| Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.                | 109.3  | 125.9  | 124.8  | 125.7  | 125.8  | 125.7  |
| Other - Law and Order                            | 24.6   | 28.8   | 29.1   | 29.2   | 29.2   | 29.2   |
| Religion and Social Welfare                      | 20.4   | 20.3   | 20.3   | 20.3   | 20.3   | 20.4   |
| Health Services                                  | 84.1   | 95.7   | 96.7   | 96.9   | 96.5   | 97.0   |
| Education  | 65.7   | 78.4   | 81.6   | 81.7   | 81.7   | 81.9   |
| Other Professional                               | 19.4   | 21.5   | 21.6   | 21.9   | 21.9   | 22.0   |
| Entertainment, Sport                             | 26.1   | 26.9   | 26.9   | 26.8   | 27.0   | 27.6   |
| Personal Service (e)                             | 123.3  | 117.2  | 119.1  | 118.1  | 118.7  | 119.6  |
| Total Other:                                     | 363.6  | 388.8  | 395.3  | 394.9  | 395.3  | 397.7  |
| Total:   | 2374.9 | 2571.8 | 2655.9 | 2656.4 | 2659.8 | 2667.7 |

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TABLE 10 : WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT - INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

STATES - SEPTEMBER, 1954

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)  
 (Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)

(Thousands)

| Industrial Group   | N.S.W.        | VIC.         | Q'LD.        | S.A.         | W.A.         | TAS.        | AUST.<br>(f)  |
|--|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| <b>MALES</b>   |               |              |              |              |              |             |               |
| Forestry, Fishing and Trapping                               | 8.6           | 5.6          | 5.7          | 1.7          | 2.3          | 2.2         | 26.4          |
| Mining and Quarrying   | 29.9          | 4.8          | 9.5          | 1.6          | 8.6          | 3.0         | 57.8          |
| Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)                          | 285.4         | 218.0        | 74.5         | 68.6         | 34.1         | 18.3        | 698.9         |
| Other (b)  | 26.6          | 17.5         | 10.2         | 2.5          | 2.5          | 0.5         | 60.9          |
| <b>Total Manufacturing:</b>                                  | <b>312.0</b>  | <b>235.5</b> | <b>84.7</b>  | <b>71.1</b>  | <b>36.6</b>  | <b>18.8</b> | <b>759.8</b>  |
| Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)          | 70.2          | 50.7         | 33.2         | 18.5         | 18.3         | 10.3        | 204.5         |
| Shipping and Stevedoring                                     | 16.7          | 10.5         | 9.0          | 6.1          | 4.4          | 2.0         | 48.8          |
| Rail and Air Transport                                       | 39.1          | 23.4         | 20.8         | 10.1         | 10.6         | 2.6         | 106.9         |
| Other Transport and Communication                            | 58.5          | 37.6         | 22.7         | 12.4         | 8.7          | 4.1         | 144.9         |
| Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)                     | 22.5          | 17.6         | 7.9          | 4.9          | 3.6          | 1.4         | 58.0          |
| Retail Trade   | 50.5          | 36.8         | 15.7         | 11.8         | 9.5          | 3.5         | 128.2         |
| Wholesale and Other Commerce                                 | 49.0          | 40.6         | 20.3         | 14.4         | 13.6         | 4.3         | 142.6         |
| Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.                            | 35.9          | 28.0         | 11.6         | 7.6          | 7.2          | 3.7         | 97.9          |
| Other Industries (g)   | 67.6          | 51.0         | 24.0         | 15.2         | 11.5         | 6.1         | 177.3         |
| <b>TOTAL MALES:</b>  | <b>760.5</b>  | <b>542.1</b> | <b>265.1</b> | <b>175.4</b> | <b>134.9</b> | <b>62.0</b> | <b>1953.1</b> |
| <b>FEMALES</b>   |               |              |              |              |              |             |               |
| Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)                          | 95.0          | 86.9         | 14.3         | 15.5         | 6.4          | 3.9         | 222.0         |
| Other (b)  | 0.9           | 2.2          | 2.8          | 0.1          | 0.9          | -           | 7.0           |
| <b>Total Manufacturing:</b>                                  | <b>95.9</b>   | <b>89.1</b>  | <b>17.1</b>  | <b>15.6</b>  | <b>7.3</b>   | <b>3.9</b>  | <b>229.0</b>  |
| Rail and Air Transport                                       | 3.6           | 1.9          | 1.3          | 0.7          | 0.4          | 0.1         | 8.1           |
| Other Transport and Communication (including Shipping, etc.) | 10.8          | 8.6          | 4.2          | 2.5          | 1.5          | 1.2         | 28.8          |
| Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)                     | 15.4          | 9.9          | 4.2          | 2.8          | 2.0          | 0.8         | 35.1          |
| Retail Trade   | 43.4          | 31.5         | 15.3         | 11.8         | 9.7          | 4.0         | 115.9         |
| Wholesale and Other Commerce                                 | 16.9          | 11.5         | 6.6          | 4.1          | 3.5          | 0.9         | 43.6          |
| Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.                            | 10.8          | 6.7          | 4.3          | 1.5          | 2.0          | 1.0         | 27.8          |
| Other Industries (g)   | 86.9          | 59.9         | 33.9         | 18.8         | 16.8         | 8.4         | 226.3         |
| <b>TOTAL FEMALES:</b>  | <b>283.7</b>  | <b>219.1</b> | <b>86.9</b>  | <b>57.8</b>  | <b>43.2</b>  | <b>20.3</b> | <b>714.6</b>  |
| <b>PERSONS</b>   |               |              |              |              |              |             |               |
| Forestry, Fishing and Trapping                               | 8.7           | 5.7          | 5.7          | 1.7          | 2.3          | 2.2         | 26.6          |
| Mining and Quarrying   | 30.2          | 4.9          | 9.7          | 1.7          | 8.7          | 3.1         | 58.8          |
| Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)                          | 380.4         | 304.9        | 88.8         | 84.1         | 40.5         | 22.2        | 920.9         |
| Other (b)  | 27.5          | 19.7         | 13.0         | 2.6          | 3.4          | 0.5         | 67.9          |
| <b>Total Manufacturing:</b>                                  | <b>407.9</b>  | <b>324.6</b> | <b>101.8</b> | <b>86.7</b>  | <b>43.9</b>  | <b>22.7</b> | <b>988.8</b>  |
| Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)          | 72.2          | 51.9         | 33.7         | 18.9         | 18.6         | 10.4        | 209.2         |
| Shipping and Stevedoring                                     | 17.8          | 11.0         | 9.3          | 6.3          | 4.6          | 2.1         | 51.2          |
| Rail and Air Transport                                       | 42.7          | 25.3         | 22.1         | 10.8         | 11.0         | 2.7         | 115.0         |
| Other Transport and Communication                            | 68.2          | 45.7         | 26.6         | 14.7         | 10.0         | 5.2         | 171.3         |
| Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)                     | 37.9          | 27.5         | 12.1         | 7.7          | 5.6          | 2.2         | 93.1          |
| Retail Trade   | 93.9          | 68.3         | 31.0         | 23.6         | 19.2         | 7.5         | 244.1         |
| Wholesale and other Commerce                                 | 65.9          | 52.1         | 26.9         | 18.5         | 17.1         | 5.2         | 186.2         |
| Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.                            | 46.7          | 34.7         | 15.9         | 9.1          | 9.2          | 4.7         | 125.7         |
| Other Industries (g)   | 152.1         | 109.5        | 57.2         | 33.5         | 27.9         | 14.3        | 397.7         |
| <b>TOTAL PERSONS:</b>  | <b>1044.2</b> | <b>761.2</b> | <b>352.0</b> | <b>233.2</b> | <b>178.1</b> | <b>82.3</b> | <b>2667.7</b> |

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## NOTES TO TABLES 9 AND 10

- (a) Refers to estimated employment in factories as defined for the purpose of the annual production census, results of which are published annually in the Secondary Industries Bulletin. In this connexion, a factory is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more persons are employed, or in which power, other than manual, is used. The employees covered are those engaged in manufacturing activities and exclude those engaged in selling and distribution, etc. Revision will be necessary in the estimates herein to numbers of employees in factories since June, 1948, within the above definition. A new series of returns was instituted as from January, 1952, which shows the same approximate trend as the figures herein since that date. A survey of the results obtained from this series is presented in Section III.
- (b) Includes employees in industrial establishments outside the scope of the definition of a factory (given in (a) above) and persons employed by factory proprietors but engaged in selling or distribution, etc., who are excluded from figures shown opposite "Factories".
- (c) Includes persons employed on private building, and employees of private employers contracting to public authorities, on building construction, alterations, maintenance and repairs.
- (d) Includes employees on construction of roads, bridges, earthworks, etc., and employees directly employed by public authorities on buildings and maintenance of buildings.
- (e) Includes Hotels, Restaurants, Hairdressing and Other Personal Services (except female private domestics).
- (f) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.
- (g) Includes Law and Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health, Education, other Professional Services, Entertainment, etc., and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, etc., excluding female private domestic). In respect of females only, also includes Forestry, Fishing, etc., Mining, Building and Construction.

### III. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES.

By joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, a regular monthly survey of employment in the larger privately-owned factories of New South Wales and Victoria was instituted in January, 1952. Practically all private factories with 100 or more employees and a large section of those with between 50 and 100 employees were surveyed.

The instruction as to employees to be included in the returns was as follows:- "The number of persons employed is to include all persons on the establishment of the factory who are engaged in the factory or on the factory office staff, providing their employment is directly related to manufacture", and further "..... the numbers of males and females (separately) employed in the specified factory or mill. These figures are to include factory office staff, but are to exclude selling and distribution staff". The figures obtained relate to the numbers on the pay-roll as at the last pay-day in the month.

The survey was instituted to provide an earlier indication of trend of private factory employment, month by month, than is available from any other source, and in fact the trends shown in employment in these larger private factories are broadly consonant with those shown in estimates of total private factory employment, derived from Pay-roll Tax Returns, for the periods for which comparisons are available.

Employment in food-processing factories is subject to considerable seasonal variation. In view of this circumstance, the movements in "all factories excluding food factories" are given equal prominence in the tables with those in "all factories surveyed".

The Survey was extended to cover all States with effect from January, 1953. In Bulletins up to, and including No. 152, totals were given for the original two States, for the three remaining mainland States and for the five mainland States together. The figures now shown in Tables 11 and 13 are totals for all six States.

An industrial analysis, showing movements in each of eight broad groups, is given in Table 15. In continuation of the earlier practice this table is confined to the five mainland states. At the present stage figures for Tasmania cannot be incorporated into this table in the same detail because of the risk of disclosure of individual factory particulars.



TABLE 11. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, SIX STATES

| Period<br>(End of Month) | Employment in all Factor-<br>ies surveyed |         |         | Percentage movement since<br>previous month |         |         |
|--------------------------|---|---------|---------|---|---------|---------|
|                          | Males                                     | Females | Persons | Males                                       | Females | Persons |
| 1953 January             | 328,606                                   | 97,994  | 426,600 | ..  | ..      | ..      |
| February                 | 333,450                                   | 101,140 | 434,590 | +1.5  | +3.2    | +1.9    |
| March                    | 337,050                                   | 102,901 | 439,951 | +1.1  | +1.7    | +1.2    |
| April                    | 338,319                                   | 101,666 | 439,985 | +0.4  | -1.2    | ..      |
| May                      | 340,755                                   | 101,795 | 442,550 | +0.7  | +0.1    | +0.6    |
| June                     | 343,671                                   | 101,590 | 445,261 | +0.9  | -0.2    | +0.6    |
| July                     | 345,221                                   | 101,963 | 447,184 | +0.5  | +0.4    | +0.4    |
| August                   | 346,638                                   | 102,841 | 449,479 | +0.4  | +0.9    | +0.5    |
| September                | 347,914                                   | 104,179 | 452,093 | +0.4  | +1.3    | +0.6    |
| October                  | 350,035                                   | 106,249 | 456,284 | +0.6  | +2.0    | +0.9    |
| November                 | 351,915                                   | 107,396 | 459,311 | +0.5  | +1.1    | +0.7    |
| December                 | 351,207                                   | 108,596 | 459,803 | -0.2  | +1.1    | +0.1    |
| 1954 January             | 353,479                                   | 112,313 | 465,792 | +0.6  | +3.4    | +1.3    |
| February                 | 355,650                                   | 113,542 | 469,192 | +0.6  | +1.1    | +0.7    |
| March                    | 357,970                                   | 115,478 | 473,448 | +0.7  | +1.7    | +0.9    |
| April                    | 359,034                                   | 113,676 | 472,710 | +0.3  | -1.6    | -0.2    |
| May                      | 360,643                                   | 112,644 | 473,287 | +0.4  | -0.9    | +0.1    |
| June                     | 362,788                                   | 112,771 | 475,559 | +0.6  | +0.1    | +0.5    |
| July                     | 363,986                                   | 112,243 | 476,229 | +0.3  | -0.5    | +0.1    |
| August                   | 364,020                                   | 111,607 | 475,627 | ..  | -0.6    | -0.1    |
| September                | 364,667                                   | 112,785 | 477,452 | +0.2  | +1.1    | +0.4    |
| October                  | 365,690                                   | 113,739 | 479,429 | +0.3  | +0.8    | +0.4    |

TABLE 12. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES - STATES

| State           | Employment in all Factories surveyed |         |         |         |         | Percentage Movement<br>in employment |           |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------------------------------|-----------|
|                 | 1953                                 |         | 1954    |         |         | Aug. -                               | Sept. -   |
|                 | Sept.                                | Oct.    | Aug.    | Sept.   | Oct.    | Sept., 1954                          | Oct. 1954 |
| MALES           |                                      |         |         |         |         |                                      |           |
| New South Wales | 139,260                              | 140,316 | 144,565 | 145,212 | 145,412 | +0.4                                 | +0.1      |
| Victoria        | 102,324                              | 103,317 | 108,301 | 108,378 | 109,631 | +0.1                                 | +1.2      |
| Queensland      | 40,036                               | 39,381  | 41,261  | 41,001  | 40,336  | -0.6                                 | -1.6      |
| South Australia | 38,142                               | 38,728  | 41,028  | 41,144  | 41,222  | +0.3                                 | +0.2      |
| West Australia  | 17,361                               | 17,367  | 17,477  | 17,478  | 17,592  | ..                                   | +0.7      |
| Tasmania        | 10,791                               | 10,926  | 11,388  | 11,454  | 11,497  | +0.6                                 | +0.4      |
| TOTAL           | 347,914                              | 350,035 | 364,020 | 364,667 | 365,690 | +0.2                                 | +0.3      |
| FEMALES         |                                      |         |         |         |         |                                      |           |
| New South Wales | 41,669                               | 42,731  | 44,101  | 44,900  | 45,687  | +1.8                                 | +1.8      |
| Victoria        | 39,488                               | 40,226  | 42,479  | 42,821  | 43,129  | +0.8                                 | +0.7      |
| Queensland      | 8,312                                | 8,406   | 9,022   | 8,904   | 8,617   | -1.3                                 | -3.2      |
| South Australia | 7,720                                | 7,807   | 8,595   | 8,685   | 8,864   | +1.0                                 | +2.1      |
| West Australia  | 3,736                                | 3,816   | 3,943   | 3,995   | 4,028   | +1.3                                 | +0.8      |
| Tasmania        | 3,254                                | 3,263   | 3,467   | 3,480   | 3,414   | +0.4                                 | -1.9      |
| TOTAL           | 104,179                              | 106,249 | 111,607 | 112,785 | 113,739 | +1.1                                 | +0.8      |
| PERSONS         |                                      |         |         |         |         |                                      |           |
| New South Wales | 180,929                              | 183,047 | 188,666 | 190,112 | 191,099 | +0.8                                 | +0.5      |
| Victoria        | 141,812                              | 143,543 | 150,780 | 151,199 | 152,760 | +0.3                                 | +1.0      |
| Queensland      | 48,348                               | 47,787  | 50,283  | 49,905  | 48,953  | -0.8                                 | -1.9      |
| South Australia | 45,862                               | 46,535  | 49,623  | 49,829  | 50,086  | +0.4                                 | +0.5      |
| West Australia  | 21,097                               | 21,183  | 21,420  | 21,473  | 21,620  | +0.2                                 | +0.7      |
| Tasmania        | 14,045                               | 14,189  | 14,855  | 14,934  | 14,911  | +0.5                                 | -0.2      |
| TOTAL           | 452,093                              | 456,284 | 475,627 | 477,452 | 479,429 | +0.4                                 | +0.4      |

TABLE 13. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

## SIX STATES

| Period<br>(End of Month) | Employment in all Factories<br>surveyed, except Food Factories |         |         | Percentage movement since<br>previous month |         |         |
|--------------------------|--|---------|---------|---|---------|---------|
|                          | Males  | Females | Persons | Males                                       | Females | Persons |
| 1953 January             | 290,158  | 83,904  | 374,062 | ..  | ..      | ..      |
| February                 | 293,382  | 85,769  | 379,151 | +1.1  | +2.2    | +1.4    |
| March                    | 296,999  | 87,817  | 384,816 | +1.2  | +2.4    | +1.5    |
| April                    | 299,539  | 89,149  | 388,688 | +0.9  | +1.5    | +1.0    |
| May                      | 301,918  | 90,359  | 392,277 | +0.8  | +1.4    | +0.9    |
| June                     | 303,927  | 90,427  | 394,354 | +0.7  | +0.1    | +0.5    |
| July                     | 304,835  | 90,901  | 395,736 | +0.3  | +0.5    | +0.4    |
| August                   | 306,084  | 91,604  | 397,688 | +0.4  | +0.8    | +0.5    |
| September                | 307,696  | 92,882  | 400,578 | +0.5  | +1.4    | +0.7    |
| October                  | 309,676  | 94,384  | 404,060 | +0.6  | +1.6    | +0.9    |
| November                 | 311,661  | 95,485  | 407,146 | +0.6  | +1.2    | +0.8    |
| December                 | 312,533  | 95,460  | 407,993 | +0.3  | ..      | +0.2    |
| 1954 January             | 315,021  | 96,152  | 411,173 | +0.8  | +0.7    | +0.8    |
| February                 | 316,771  | 98,064  | 414,835 | +0.6  | +2.0    | +0.9    |
| March                    | 317,836  | 98,865  | 416,701 | +0.3  | +0.8    | +0.4    |
| April                    | 319,710  | 99,302  | 419,012 | +0.6  | +0.4    | +0.6    |
| May                      | 320,239  | 99,502  | 419,741 | +0.2  | +0.2    | +0.2    |
| June                     | 321,495  | 99,760  | 421,255 | +0.4  | +0.3    | +0.4    |
| July                     | 322,509  | 99,684  | 422,193 | +0.3  | -0.1    | +0.2    |
| August                   | 322,574  | 99,323  | 421,897 | ..  | -0.4    | -0.1    |
| September                | 323,344  | 100,522 | 423,866 | +0.2  | +1.2    | +0.5    |
| October                  | 323,718  | 101,173 | 424,891 | +0.1  | +0.6    | +0.2    |

TABLE 14. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

## STATES

| State | Employment in all Factories surveyed<br>excluding Food Factories |      |      |       |      | Percentage movement<br>in Employment |            |
|-------|--|------|------|-------|------|--------------------------------------|------------|
|       | 1953   |      | 1954 |       |      | Aug. -                               | Sept. -    |
|       | Sept.  | Oct. | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Sept., 1954                          | Oct., 1954 |

## MALES

|                 |         |         |         |         |         |      |      |
|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------|------|
| New South Wales | 129,753 | 130,430 | 135,005 | 135,646 | 135,743 | +0.5 | +0.1 |
| Victoria        | 92,440  | 92,946  | 98,230  | 98,086  | 98,185  | -0.1 | +0.1 |
| Queensland      | 25,205  | 25,329  | 25,483  | 25,649  | 25,603  | +0.7 | -0.2 |
| South Australia | 35,513  | 36,120  | 38,383  | 38,489  | 38,577  | +0.3 | +0.2 |
| West Australia  | 15,556  | 15,515  | 15,643  | 15,592  | 15,673  | -0.3 | +0.5 |
| Tasmania        | 9,229   | 9,336   | 9,830   | 9,882   | 9,937   | +0.5 | +0.6 |
| TOTAL:          | 307,696 | 309,676 | 322,574 | 323,344 | 323,718 | +0.2 | +0.1 |

## FEMALES

|                 |        |        |        |         |         |      |      |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|------|------|
| New South Wales | 37,797 | 38,488 | 39,916 | 40,680  | 41,249  | +1.9 | +1.4 |
| Victoria        | 36,187 | 36,709 | 38,885 | 39,180  | 39,207  | +0.8 | +0.1 |
| Queensland      | 6,808  | 6,888  | 7,197  | 7,204   | 7,119   | +0.1 | -1.2 |
| South Australia | 6,590  | 6,699  | 7,465  | 7,515   | 7,669   | +0.7 | +2.0 |
| West Australia  | 2,960  | 3,031  | 3,133  | 3,171   | 3,173   | +1.2 | +0.1 |
| Tasmania        | 2,540  | 2,569  | 2,727  | 2,772   | 2,756   | +1.7 | -0.6 |
| TOTAL:          | 92,882 | 94,384 | 99,323 | 100,522 | 101,173 | +1.2 | +0.6 |

## PERSONS

|                 |         |         |         |         |         |      |      |
|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------|------|
| New South Wales | 167,550 | 168,918 | 174,921 | 176,326 | 176,992 | +0.8 | +0.4 |
| Victoria        | 128,627 | 129,655 | 137,115 | 137,266 | 137,392 | +0.1 | +0.1 |
| Queensland      | 32,013  | 32,217  | 32,680  | 32,853  | 32,722  | +0.5 | -0.4 |
| South Australia | 42,103  | 42,819  | 45,848  | 46,004  | 46,246  | +0.3 | +0.5 |
| West Australia  | 18,516  | 18,546  | 18,776  | 18,763  | 18,846  | -0.1 | +0.4 |
| Tasmania        | 11,769  | 11,905  | 12,557  | 12,654  | 12,693  | +0.8 | +0.3 |
| TOTAL:          | 400,578 | 404,060 | 421,897 | 423,866 | 424,891 | +0.5 | +0.2 |

TABLE 15 : EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES - FIVE MAINLAND STATES -  
INDUSTRIAL GROUPING

| Industrial Group               | Employment in Factories surveyed<br>(5 States) |                |                   |                 | Percentage Move-<br>ment in employment |                      |
|--------------------------------|--|----------------|-------------------|-----------------|--|----------------------|
|                                | October<br>1953                                | August<br>1954 | September<br>1954 | October<br>1954 | August -<br>Sept., 1954                | Sept.-<br>Oct., 1954 |
| <b>MALES</b>                   |  |                |                   |                 |  |                      |
| 1. Building Materials          | 31,389   | 32,830         | 33,047            | 32,951          | +0.7                                   | -0.3                 |
| 2. Basic Metals                | 32,243   | 34,059         | 34,032            | 34,128          | -0.1                                   | +0.3                 |
| 3. Transportation Equipment    | 53,038   | 55,777         | 55,865            | 55,757          | +0.2                                   | -0.2                 |
| 4. Other Metal Manufactures    | 81,643   | 85,871         | 86,012            | 85,990          | +0.2                                   | ..                   |
| 5. Chemicals & Allied Products | 15,460   | 16,111         | 15,990            | 15,910          | -0.8                                   | -0.5                 |
| 6. Clothing and Textiles       | 34,030   | 33,824         | 33,580            | 33,505          | -0.7                                   | -0.2                 |
| 7. Food                        | 38,769   | 39,888         | 39,751            | 40,412          | -0.3                                   | +1.7                 |
| 8. All Other                   | 52,537   | 54,272         | 54,936            | 55,540          | +1.2                                   | +1.1                 |
| Total - All Groups             | 339,109  | 352,632        | 353,213           | 354,193         | +0.2                                   | +0.3                 |
| Total - Excluding Food         | 300,340  | 312,744        | 313,462           | 313,781         | +0.2                                   | +0.1                 |
| <b>FEMALES</b>                 |  |                |                   |                 |  |                      |
| 1. Building Materials          | 2,434  | 2,640          | 2,691             | 2,739           | +1.9                                   | +1.8                 |
| 2. Basic Metals                | 1,123  | 1,283          | 1,282             | 1,276           | -0.1                                   | -0.5                 |
| 3. Transportation Equipment    | 3,796  | 4,427          | 4,536             | 4,575           | +2.5                                   | +0.9                 |
| 4. Other Metal Manufactures    | 14,530   | 16,643         | 17,010            | 17,490          | +2.2                                   | +2.8                 |
| 5. Chemicals & Allied Products | 3,892  | 4,105          | 4,046             | 4,106           | -1.4                                   | +1.5                 |
| 6. Clothing and Textiles       | 51,589   | 53,128         | 53,037            | 53,030          | -0.2                                   | ..                   |
| 7. Food                        | 11,171   | 11,544         | 11,555            | 11,908          | +0.1                                   | +3.1                 |
| 8. All Other                   | 14,451   | 14,370         | 15,148            | 15,201          | +5.4                                   | +0.3                 |
| Total - All Groups             | 102,986  | 108,140        | 109,305           | 110,325         | +1.1                                   | +0.9                 |
| Total - Excluding Food         | 91,815   | 96,596         | 97,750            | 98,417          | +1.2                                   | +0.7                 |

#### IV. WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOUR

TABLE 16 : AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE EARNINGS (a) - AUSTRALIA.

Index Numbers (Base 1945-46 = 1,000)  
Revised Series (Seasonally adjusted)

| Year    | Index Numbers            |               | Quarter       | Index Numbers            |               |
|---------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|
|         | All<br>Industries<br>(b) | Manufacturing |               | All<br>Industries<br>(b) | Manufacturing |
| 1945-46 | 1,000                    | 1,000         | 1952 -        |                          |               |
| 1946-47 | 1,037                    | 1,056         | March Quarter | 2,183                    | *2,264        |
| 1947-48 | 1,164                    | 1,206         | June "        | 2,249                    | *2,310        |
|         |                          |               | Sept. "       | 2,305                    | *2,362        |
| 1948-49 | 1,322                    | 1,365         | Dec. "        | 2,354                    | *2,383        |
| 1949-50 | 1,451                    | 1,505         | 1953 -        |                          |               |
| 1950-51 | 1,742                    | 1,810         | March Quarter | 2,362                    | *2,405        |
|         |                          |               | June "        | 2,377                    | *2,427        |
|         |                          |               | Sept. "       | 2,445                    | *2,458        |
| 1951-52 | 2,145                    | 2,213         | Dec. "        | 2,436                    | *2,456        |
| 1952-53 | 2,350                    | *2,394        | 1954 -        |                          |               |
| 1953-54 | 2,462                    | *2,490        | March Quarter | 2,491                    | *2,531        |
|         |                          |               | June "        | 2,477                    | *2,513        |

\* Revised.

(a) Includes salaries. (b) Average earnings per male unit employed. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings.

**NOTE:-** The two series in the above table are not comparable horizontally.

The "All Industries" index is based on Pay-roll Tax Returns and other data. The index for manufacturing industries for the years 1945-46 to 1952-53 is based on the average earnings of male wage and salary earners employed in factories as disclosed by annual factory returns. The figures subsequent to June, 1953 are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns.



TABLE 17 : AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATES INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES

## INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - STATES (a)

The index numbers in the following tables are based on averages of wage rates for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each industrial group in each State is the arithmetical average of the rates of wage payable for classified occupations within that group. The figures for "All Groups" for each State and for each industrial group for Australia are weighted averages.

The base of each index number is the weighted average weekly wage for Australia of all industrial groups for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

| Industrial Group                      | N.S.W. | Vic. | Q'ld. | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | Aust.<br>(b) |
|---------------------------------------|--------|------|-------|------|------|------|--------------|
| 31ST AUGUST, 1954 (f)                 |        |      |       |      |      |      |              |
| I. Wood, Furniture, etc.              | 318    | *308 | 288   | 302  | 318  | 314  | *310         |
| II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.    | 312    | 302  | 308   | 298  | 320  | 315  | 307          |
| III. Food, Drink, etc.                | 316    | 317  | 296   | 313  | 312  | 325  | 312          |
| IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.          | 308    | 310  | 317   | 317  | 321  | 307  | 311          |
| V. Books, Printing, etc.              | 357    | 353  | 332   | 342  | 351  | 361  | *351         |
| VI. Other Manufacturing               | 316    | *305 | 289   | 305  | 314  | 317  | 309          |
| VII. Building                         | 349    | 332  | 334   | 321  | 337  | 333  | 338          |
| VIII. Mining (c)                      | 324    | 316  | 305   | 303  | 343  | 320  | *321         |
| IX. Rail and Tram Services            | 319    | *310 | 300   | 298  | 312  | 314  | 311          |
| X. Other Land Transport               | 313    | 296  | 284   | 292  | 312  | 306  | 302          |
| XI. Shipping, etc. (d)                | 342    | 348  | 343   | 345  | 345  | 346  | 344          |
| XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (e) | 379    | 338  | 344   | 338  | 352  | 371  | 357          |
| XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.          | 303    | 294  | 271   | 279  | 294  | 293  | 293          |
| XIV. Miscellaneous                    | 310    | *301 | 283   | 290  | 304  | 302  | *301         |
| All Groups (b)                        | 331    | 315  | 310   | 311  | 326  | 331  | 321          |

|                                       |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1954 (f)              |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| I. Wood, Furniture, etc.              | 318 | 308 | 295 | 302 | 318 | 314 | 311 |
| II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.    | 312 | 302 | 308 | 298 | 320 | 315 | 307 |
| III. Food, Drink, etc.                | 316 | 317 | 296 | 313 | 312 | 325 | 312 |
| IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.          | 308 | 310 | 317 | 317 | 321 | 307 | 311 |
| V. Books, Printing, etc.              | 357 | 353 | 332 | 342 | 351 | 361 | 351 |
| VI. Other Manufacturing               | 316 | 305 | 289 | 305 | 314 | 317 | 309 |
| VII. Building                         | 349 | 332 | 334 | 321 | 337 | 333 | 338 |
| VIII. Mining (c)                      | 324 | 316 | 305 | 303 | 343 | 320 | 321 |
| IX. Rail and Tram Services            | 319 | 310 | 300 | 298 | 312 | 314 | 311 |
| X. Other Land Transport               | 313 | 296 | 284 | 292 | 312 | 306 | 302 |
| XI. Shipping, etc. (d)                | 342 | 348 | 343 | 345 | 345 | 346 | 344 |
| XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (e) | 379 | 338 | 344 | 338 | 352 | 371 | 357 |
| XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.          | 303 | 294 | 271 | 279 | 294 | 293 | 293 |
| XIV. Miscellaneous                    | 310 | 301 | 283 | 290 | 304 | 302 | 301 |
| All Groups (b)                        | 331 | 315 | 310 | 311 | 326 | 331 | 321 |

\* Revised.

(a) The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are those prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State and exclude district allowances in the gold-mining industry.

(d) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are for occupations other than masters, officers, and engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of keep, where supplied.

(e) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based include the value of keep, where supplied.

(f) Subject to Revision.

TABLE 18 : AVERAGE NOMINAL HOURLY WAGE RATES INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES, STATES (a)

The index numbers in the following table are based on average wage rates and hours of labour for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each State is the weighted average of the wage rates for each industrial group in the State. The average rate of wage for Australia is the weighted average of the wage rates for each State.

The base of each index number is the weighted average hourly wage for Australia for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

| Date                 | N.S.W. | VIC. | Q'LD. | S.A. | W.A. | TAS. | AUST. (b) |
|----------------------|--------|------|-------|------|------|------|-----------|
| 31st December, 1938  | 109    | 98   | 109   | 92   | 111  | 94   | 104       |
| " " 1945             | 136    | 133  | 133   | 124  | 138  | 127  | 133       |
| " " 1946             | 146    | 143  | 142   | 132  | 141  | 137  | 143       |
| " " 1947             | 168    | 153  | 139   | 152  | 155  | 149  | 158       |
| " " 1948             | 192    | 188  | 179   | 183  | 190  | 184  | 188       |
| " " 1949             | 206    | 204  | 196   | 197  | 208  | 198  | 203       |
| " " 1950             | 248    | 244  | 228   | 234  | 250  | 239  | 243       |
| " " 1951             | 300    | 290  | 268   | 279  | 300  | 287  | 291       |
| 30th September, 1952 | 335    | 322  | 304   | 315  | 334  | 317  | 325       |
| 31st December, 1952  | 338    | 327  | 308   | 322  | 342  | 326  | 329       |
| 31st March, 1953     | 339    | 328  | 308   | 318  | 343  | 329  | 330       |
| 30th June, 1953      | 343    | 332  | 311   | 322  | 347  | 337  | 334       |
| 30th September, 1953 | 346    | 335  | 312   | 327  | 352  | 341  | 337       |
| 31st December, 1953  | 346    | 336  | 316   | 327  | 352  | 341  | 338       |
| 31st March, 1954     | 346    | 337  | 319   | 327  | 352  | 341  | 339       |
| 30th June, 1954      | 346    | 337  | 322   | 327  | 352  | 341  | 339       |
| 30th September, 1954 | 346    | 336  | 323   | 327  | 352  | 341  | 339       |

(a) Weighted average hourly rates of wage for all industrial groups except Groups XI. (Shipping, etc.) and XII. (Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.). The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure.

(b) Weighted average.

#### VI. UNEMPLOYMENT

TABLE 19 : NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT, STATES

Compiled from information furnished by the Department of Social Services on the operation of the Unemployment and Sickness Benefits Act 1944 (from 1st July, 1947, Part VII of the Social Services Consolidation Act 1947-53) which came into effect on 1st July, 1945. From June, 1951 onwards figures are as furnished by the Department of Social Services.

#### Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each Month (a)

| Month         | N.S.W.<br>(b) | VIC.  | Q'LD. | S.A.<br>(c) | W.A. | TAS. | Australia |         |         |
|---------------|---------------|-------|-------|-------------|------|------|-----------|---------|---------|
|               |               |       |       |             |      |      | Males     | Females | Persons |
| 1947 June     | 1,400         | 667   | 3,231 | 105         | 761  | 44   | 5,981     | 227     | 6,208   |
| 1948 June     | 339           | 66    | 1,173 | 20          | 212  | 28   | 1,718     | 120     | 1,838   |
| 1949 May      | 222           | 33    | 809   | 12          | 91   | 29   | 1,102     | 94      | 1,196   |
| 1950 June     | 335           | 151   | 568   | 32          | 108  | 32   | 998       | 228     | 1,226   |
| 1951 June (d) | 246           | 32    | 263   | 3           | 50   | 10   | 457       | 147     | 604     |
| 1952 June     | 4,613         | 1,133 | 2,055 | 153         | 236  | 104  | 6,108     | 2,186   | 8,294   |
| 1953 June (e) | 14,629        | 5,939 | 3,677 | 655         | 691  | 323  | 21,552    | 4,362   | 25,914  |
| 1954 June     | 2,810         | 1,203 | 1,657 | 79          | 225  | 109  | 4,360     | 1,723   | 6,083   |
| 1953 October  | 7,070         | 3,314 | 2,495 | 289         | 445  | 312  | 11,109    | 2,816   | 13,925  |
| November      | 5,659         | 2,367 | 2,488 | 224         | 374  | 223  | 8,933     | 2,402   | 11,335  |
| December      | 5,742         | 2,202 | 3,279 | 198         | 386  | 142  | 9,670     | 2,279   | 11,949  |
| 1954 January  | 5,589         | 1,920 | 5,295 | 132         | 388  | 99   | 11,288    | 2,135   | 13,423  |
| February      | 4,445         | 1,539 | 5,397 | 99          | 288  | 110  | 9,924     | 1,954   | 11,878  |
| March         | 3,675         | 1,277 | 3,644 | 93          | 196  | 85   | 7,146     | 1,824   | 8,970   |
| April         | 3,445         | 1,229 | 3,252 | 77          | 239  | 78   | 6,549     | 1,771   | 8,320   |
| May           | 3,014         | 1,161 | 1,986 | 79          | 225  | 107  | 4,891     | 1,681   | 6,572   |
| June          | 2,810         | 1,203 | 1,657 | 79          | 225  | 109  | 4,360     | 1,723   | 6,083   |
| July          | 2,630         | 1,135 | 1,166 | 99          | 198  | 135  | 3,790     | 1,573   | 5,363   |
| August        | 2,229         | 957   | 1,081 | 83          | 145  | 147  | 3,271     | 1,371   | 4,642   |
| September     | 1,826         | 757   | 918   | 80          | 162  | 143  | 2,694     | 1,192   | 3,886   |
| October       | 1,339         | 602   | 802   | 55          | 95   | 114  | 2,061     | 946     | 3,007   |

(a) Last Saturday of month. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) From May, 1951 to September, 1952 the figures represent the number of persons on the cash sheet. (e) From October, 1952 the figures represent the number actually on benefit.